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BATMAN

IMAGINE THAT MIRTHFUL MOUNTEBANK, THE JOKER, MAKING COSTLY JESTS AT OTHER PEOPLE'S EXPENSE IN ANCIENT DAMASCUS... IMAGINE HIM A THOUSAND YEARS FROM TODAY ENGAGED IN THE SAME NEPARIOUS PASTIME IN A STREAM-LINED CITY OF WONDERS! STILL BETTER—TURN THE PAGES AND SEE WITH YOUR OWN EYES HOW CRIMES CLOWNING CHARIOT MARCHES PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE IN A TENSE WHIRL OF MADNESS THAT LEADS THE BATTLING BATMAN AND ROBIN A PERILOUS CHASE THROUGH

"THE CENTURIES OF CRIME!"



IN EVERY BIG CITY
UNDERWORLD THERE
IS ONE RESORT
DEVOTED EXCLUSI-
VLY TO THE EN-
TERTAINMENT OF
THOSE SWINE,
SCREWDING, FLINT-
HEARTED ARISTOCRA-
TS OF THE DAY --
CONFIDENT
MEN AND
SWINDLERS/
IN BOTHAM CITY,
THAT DUBIOUS HONOR
IS HELD BY
CHARLESTON
CHARLES
CHOWDER HOUSE...

...WHERE TONIGHT WE FIND PROFESSOR
ELLA TATE, FRAUDULENT SCIENTIST, IN
GLOOMY CONVERSATION WITH SWAMI
MEERA KELL, CROOKED CRYSTAL GAZER...

TWO CHEATERS, ACCUSING EACH
OF CHEATING THEM -- AND SUDDENLY A THIRD APPEARS, THE
GREATEST CHEAT OF THEM ALL!

I TELL YOU, SWAMI,
BUSINESS IS TERRIBLE
TODAY. UN-MOST DIL-
IGIBLE PROSPECT RE-
FUSED TO PUT ANY MORE
MONEY INTO MY PERFECT-
JAL MOTION INVENTION!

I AGREE WITH YOU,
PROFESSOR! MY
CRYSTAL BALL IS
GETTING DUSTY /
PEOPLE ARE LOS-
ING FAITH IN MY
POWER TO PICK
WINNERS!

PARDON ME,
FRIENDS...
COULD I IN-
TEREST YOU
IN MAKING A
FEW
MILLIONS?

WHAT A NERVOUS
YOU HAVE WALK-
ING AROUND PUB-
LICLY WHILE EVERY
COP IN AMERICA
IS HUNTING
YOU -- NOT TO
MENTION THE
BATMAN!

THE POLICE...THE BATMAN
BAH! I AM TOO CLEVER
FOR THEM! AND NOW, IF
YOU ARE INTERESTED
IN MY SCHEME FOR
MAKING MONEY --
BIG MONEY...

PROCEED.
JOKER! WE'RE
INTERESTED!

WHAT DO PEOPLE
WANT ABOVE ALL?
MONEY AND SE-
CAFE FROM
SECRET FEARS! WELL, GENTLE-
MEN, I AM PREPARED TO GIVE
THEM THESE THINGS, FOR A PRICE --
NOT IN THE WORLD OF TODAY,
BUT IN THE WORLDS
OF THE PAST
AND THE
FUTURE!

INDEED?
BUT
NOW?

BELIEVE IT OR
NOT, I HAVE DISCOVERED
A MEANS OF TRAVEL-
LING TO AND FROM THE
FUTURE OR THE PAST:
ISN'T THAT COOL?
HA, HA, HA!

THE WILEY CRIME CLOWN EXPLAINS ...

THERE IS NO LIMIT
TO THE NUMBER
OF VICTIMS WE
CAN FLEECE! YOU
MUST HAVE A
LONG LIST OF
UNKNOWN NAMES!

I HAVE A PROS-
PECT! HE'S FILTY
RICH BUT STILL MAD
ABOUT MONEY --
AND HE'LL GAMBLE
ON ANYTHING!

JOKER, YOU ARE A SEN-
SUS! I, TOO, HAVE A CU-
STOMER -- ONE WHO LIVES
IN CONSTANT TERROR!
HE IS A CROOK, BUT A
LONE WOLF, AND FAIR
GAME -- AND THEY SAY
HE HAS HIDDEN
A MILLION IN
LOOT!



NEXT DAY THE VERY WEALTHY PERCIVAL FROTT IS OFFERED A PROPOSITION THAT APPEALS TO HIS COLOSSAL GREED.

BUT THIS IS BIGGER
EVEN THAN PERPETUAL
MOTION, MR. PRUITT!
THINK OF IT--A CHANCE
TO GO A THOUSAND YEARS
INTO THE FUTURE! CAN'T
YOU SEE THE POSSIB-
ILITIES?

HMM--
YOU SAY THIS
TIME MACHINE
HAS BEEN
THOROUGHLY
TESTED?
THERE'S NO
GANGER? HMM--

THE POPULATION WILL BE
HUGE IN THE YEAR 2043,
AND PROPERTY SHOULD BE
IMMENSELY VALUABLE! I
COULD SELL MY REAL ES-
TATE HOLDINGS AT A
MILLION PER CENT
PROFIT!

MEANWHILE, THE CRYSTAL IS
PRODUCING ALARMING INFOR-
MATION FOR A SUCCESSFUL
BANK ROBBER KNOWN AS
KID GLOVE MISTER...

I SENT FOR YOU, MYSTER,
BECAUSE THE MYSTIC CRYSTAL
WARNED ME THAT THE
BATMAN WAS ON YOUR
TRAIL... AH--I CAN SEE
HIM NOW, SEIZING YOU,
BEATING YOU--

CHEE--DA ONE GUY IM
SCARY T DEATH OF!
WHAT'LL I DO, SHAMI?
WHERE'LL I HIDE?

ASH, AND THE CRYSTAL ANSWERS!
A STRANGE NEW MACHINE APPEARS
TO SEND YOU A THOUSAND YEARS
INTO THE FUTURE, AND BRING YOU
BACK WHENEVER YOU WISH! IT
WILL COST YOU
TEN THOUSAND
DOLLARS...

DA
BATMAN
COULDNT
NEVER CATCH
ME THEN!
TEN
GRAND IS
NOT
CHEAP!

MISTER ACCOMPANIES
MEERA KELL TO A
DINSY TENEMENT
HOUSE, WHERE...

TEN THOUSAND IS RIGHT!
STEP INTO THE TIME
CHAMBER, MIXER, AND
DON'T BE AFRAID! I'VE
TRAVELED TO THE FUTURE
HUNDREDS OF TIMES!

LOCKED WITHIN THE DARK CHAMBER, THE JITTERY BANK ROBBER SUFFERS MISGIVINGS--
TOO LATE!

ELECTRICITY,
LIKE IN DA HOT
SEAT... AN' GAS,
LIKE IN DA DEATH
CHAMBERS OUT
WEST... LEAVING
OUT... (COUGH)
IM DYIN'
BWAH-HAH-HAH...

HE SLEEPS...
AND AFTER
MANY HOURS,
WAKES
AGAIN...

WE WHERE AM I?... NOW
I REMEMBER! I GOTTA
GET OUTA HERE!
HUN? DA
DOORS
OPEN?



KID GLOVE
MINTES
ENGORGES
UPON A
FLAT TERRACE
TO GAZE
UPON SUCH
A SIGHT AS
FEW MEN OF
OUR GENERATION
HAVE BEEN
PRIVILEGED
TO SEE!

DA JOKER WASN'T KIDDIN',
AFTER ALL! I'M A THOUSAND
YEARS AWAY FROM DA BATMAN —
AN' DIS BOIS LOOKS LIKE
SICH PICKIN'S!

CHEE, HE LOOKS SORTA
FAMILIAR -- BUT I
GUESS HE'S MY
IMAGINATION!
AS SOON AS I
LOCATE DA
UNDERWORLD,
I'LL BE
OKAY!

HI,
PAL!

AND NOW WE RETURN TO GOTHAM CITY
AND THE TWENTIETH CENTURY, TO THE
HOME OF BRUCE WAYNE, FADDISTY PLAYBOY...

MR.
PRUITT
TO SEE
YOU,
BIE?

WELL, WELL, PRUITT! THIS
IS A SURPRISE!

JUST DROPPED IN TO
ASK YOU TO LOOK OUT
FOR MY INTERESTS AT
THE MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF THE STATE BANK
TOMORROW... I'LL BE
OUT OF TOWN FOR
A FEW DAYS!

THAT'S RIGHT -- I
AM A DIRECTOR OF
THE BANK! I'D FOR-
GOTTEN!... WHERE ARE
YOU GOING?

ER -- IT'S A SECRET.
BUT I'M SO EX-
CITED, I'VE GOT TO
TELL SOMEBODY! I'M
GOING A THOUSAND
YEARS INTO THE
FUTURE TO MAKE
BILLIONS OF
DOLLARS!

AN INVENTOR I
KNOW HAS BUILT
A SUCCESSFUL TIME
MACHINE! FOR
TEN THOUSAND
DOLLARS, HE IS
GOING TO PROJECT
ME INTO THE FUTURE
-- AND WHEN
I COME BACK, I'LL
BE THE RICHEST
MAN ON EARTH!

SOUNDS EXCITING.
COULD YOU GIVE
ME THE INVENTOR'S
ADDRESS?

PRUITT HAS HARDLY DEPARTED WHEN AL
FRED -- THE ONLY LIVING PERSON WHO
KNOWS THAT BRUCE WAYNE AND DICK
GRAYSON ARE BATMAN AND ROBIN --
ADOPTS A LIGHTNING CHANGE OF COSTUME.

OF ALL
THE DIZZY
IDEAS!

ON THE CONTRARY, DICK,
AFRAID IT'S A VERY SKEWED IDEA
AND A VERY
CROOKED ONE!

MOMENTS LATER, A CAPED AND MASKED
FIGHTING TEAM RACES OVER ROOFTOPS!

HOW COULD A SMART
BUSINESSMAN LIKE
PRUITT FALL FOR SUCH
A FANTASTIC STORY,
BATMAN?

BECAUSE HE'S THE GREED-
BITT MAN I EVER MET,
ROBIN -- AND GREED BLINDS
PEOPLE TO ALL BUT THE
PROSHY
FACT OF MONEY!





THE INTREPID PAIR IS IN TIME TO WITNESS THE START
OF PERSONAL PRATT'S VENTURE INTO THE UNKNOWN...



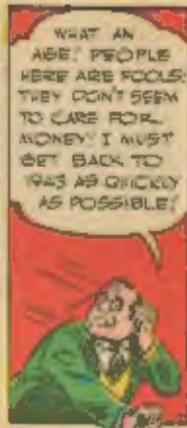
CALL ME A BITTERLY IF
THE JOKER HADN'T
REALLY DONE IT,
FOR ONCE IN HIS
LIFE / OR AM I
DREAMING?

YOU'RE NOT
DREAMING...
THERE'S PRUITT,
TALKING TO ONE
OF THE CITIZENS
--AND HE SEEKS
WORRIED!

WORRIED IS TOO MILD A WORD FOR
WHAT PRUITT IS AT THIS MOMENT OF
SHARP DISILLUSIONMENT!

LISTEN, MY GOOD MAN --
I'VE LOOKED, BUT CAN'T FIND
EITHER A BANK OR A REAL
ESTATE BROKER'S OFFICE!

WHAT AN
ABET PEOPLE
HERE ARE FOOL!
THEY DON'T SEEM
TO CARE FOR
MONEY! I MUST
GET BACK TO
1945 AS QUICKLY
AS POSSIBLE!



THAT OTHER TIME TRAVELER,
KID GLOVE MIXTER, ALSO
FINDS HIMSELF SUDDENLY
YEARNING FOR THE GOOD
OLD DAYS!

WE AIN'T GOT
NO BANKS / ALL OF
'EM WAS ROBBED IN
PA TWENTIETH CENT-
URY AND HAD TO GO
OUTA BUSINESS. NOW
PA CITY OWNS ALL DA
REAL ESTATE, AN'
NOBODY BUYS OR
SELLS IT!

WONDER WHAT JEANTS
ARE WORTH ROBBIN' IN
DIS TOWN? ... WOTS UP
PERZ? ... WHY, IT LOONS
LIKE DA BATMAN AN'
ROBIN!

LOOK, ROBIN --
IT'S KID GLOVE MIXTER,
AND HE'S SPOTTED
US!

IN A MODERNISTIC OFFICE NEAR
ANOTHER "TIME CHAMBER"...

SO YOU WANT TO GO
BACK? CERTAINLY!
IT WILL COST YOU
HALF A MILLION
DOLLARS APiece!

HALF A --! NOW I
RECOGNIZE YOU!
YOU'RE THE JOKER!
YOU BROUGHT ME
INTO THE FUTURE
JUST TO EXTRACT
MONEY FROM ME!

HAVE IT YOUR
OWN WAY ...
MY FRIENDS
AND I ARE
RETURNING
AND WON'T BE
COMING BACK,
AND YOU CAN
SPEND THE
REST OF
YOUR LIVES
HERE!

HO! ANYTHING
BUT THAT! I'LL
WRITE YOU A
CHECK!

AN I'LL
WRITE OUT
DIRECTIONS
TO DA HIDIN'
PLACE O'
HALF A
MILLION IN
LOOT!





THE NEWCOMERS ARE HUSTLED INTO A SPLENDID AUDIENCE HALL, WHERE A FAT MAN RECLINES ON SILKEN CUSHIONS...

SOON AFTERWARD, IN A DUNGEON UNDERGROUND...

AMOND BASSAN!

IT'S THE
EMIR! HE'S
TELLING THEM
WHAT TO DO
TO US!

THE ANCIENT DAMASCANS
KILLED INFIDELS BY--LU--
UNPLEASANT METHODS! WE'RE
INFIDELS!

AND TO
THINK I
WAS SCARED
O' DA BAT-
MAN!

REKKIN
KA
OLNUV!

I SHOULD'A
STOOD AT HOME!

JOKER! ME OL
PAL! I WAS NEVER
SO GLAD TO SEE
ANYBODY!

GIVE ME OUT OF
THIS! I'LL PAY
ANYTHING!

THE TIME MACHINE
DIVERSHOT IT'S MARK--
BUT I HAVE VISITED
THE PAST SO OFTEN,
I'M CHUMMY WITH THE
EMIR! I'LL SAVE YOU
FOR MOTHER HALF-MILLION APiece!

IT WILL RUIN ME--
BUT ANYTHING IS
BETTER THAN
DYING THIS WAY!

SISTA... WELL,
GENTLEMEN, I
ARRIVED JUST IN
TIME TO SPARE YOU
CONSIDERABLE DIS-
COMFORT!

WHILE BACK IN
THEIR ULTRA-MODERN PRISON,
BATMAN AND ROBIN HAVE BEEN
WORKING A PLAN OF ESCAPE...

IF WE PAD THAT
METAL FLAGSTAFF,
WE MIGHT BE ABLE
TO PRY THE BARS
LOOSE-- BUT WE
CAN'T REACH IT!

MAYBE
WE CAN
REACH
IT!

THROWING A NOOSE
THIS WAY WILL BE A
GOOD TRICK-- IF IT
WORKS!

HERE'S
HOPING!

IT'S
PULLING
LOOSE! WE'RE
GOT IT!



I WANTED TO GET OUT OF THE BATCAVE
AND GET AWAY - AND RUN BARS WOULD
NEVER MAKE A CASE FOR THE
THAT'S HOW

AT FIRST I THOUGHT I
COULDN'T MAKE IT AND
THEN I THOUGHT OF THE
JOKER AND GOT SO
MAD IT WAS
EASY

DO WE HAVE TO CLIMB
THOSE MOUNTAINS?

NOT
EXACTLY

YIPPEE!
WE'RE ON
OUR OWN
AGAIN

WE CAN
MAKE BETTER
THINGS GOING
THAN BY
TAKING
FIRE AT THEM

IMAGINE
A PAPER
WALKER
CANCELLAGE
JOB

LIKE AN
OVERSIZE
CIRCUS
TENT

ROBIN!

SEE HOW EASY IT IS TO TRAVEL
THROUGH TIME? I MEAN, WE
WERE A THOUSAND YEARS IN THE
FUTURE - AND YOU WERE A
THOUSAND YEARS IN THE PAST.

AND BY THE LOOKS
OF THESE THINGS
WE'RE IN FOR A GOOD
OLD FASHIONED
BLAST

WHY DO THEY SPEAK THE SAME
LAW AS GANGSTERS BACK
IN GOTHAM CITY?

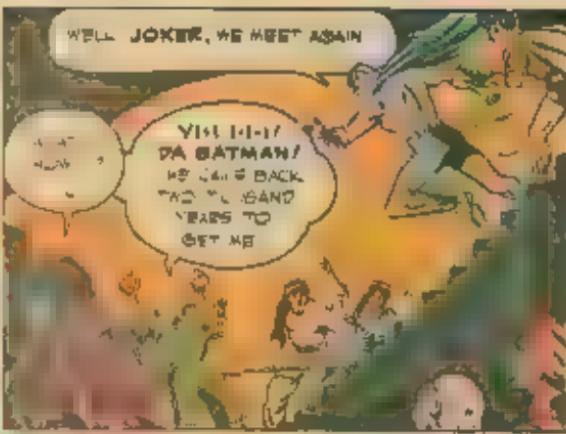
AND THEY'RE FREE, HUH?
AT HOME WITH THOMAS WAYNE
IN THEIR HANDS INSTEAD
OF SO I TALK

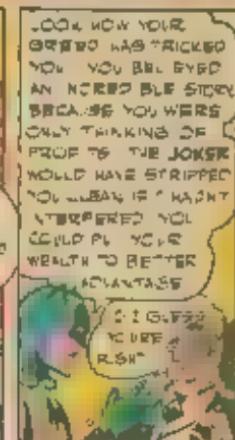
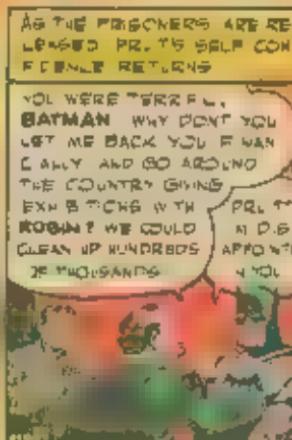
DA
BATMAN
AN'
ROBIN!

HAM ACTURES, EH? LET'S
SEE TO PRETEND WE'RE
SLEEPING BEAUTIES

I'M
STABBED!

G'DAY
FELLA





ME I GOT A LESSON
TOO BATMAN! I SAW YOU
KNOW BETTER YOU OR DA
JOKER CATCH ME SOME
DAY NO MATTER IF I
JUMPED INTO DA PIT BE
OR DA PAST OR DA MORT
POLE.

"I GUESS I THINK
I CAN SEE A DAY OF
HOPE COMING. IF YOU
NEVER REALLY MAKE
UP YOUR MIND
TO GET ME
OUT OF THIS

AND SO AT LAST I SEEKS THAT I FINALLY HILL THE LN
GET BACK TO BATMAN - YEAH."

THE JOKER BROUGHT
IS HERE IN THIS
TRANSPORT PLANE
WHILE WE WERE IN
CONFINEMENT DA ROBIN!
IT ALL SET US FREE
WITH OUR PRISONERS
AND THE D ZELT JUNG
FOR FINDING WATER
IS AS

AND IS GOING TO
GIVE HALF HE
MONEY I WOULD
HAVE LOST TO
ALL ET WAR
IN SE

BEST FOR YOU
WE PRETT

THE JOKER'S TIME
WALK HE OF
COURSE WAS ONLY
A CIVIL SER, IN WHICH
HE GAPPED HIS VICTI-
AS SO HE COULD
FLY THEM THREE
THOUSAND MILES
INTO THE PLAINS
WHERE THEY
KNEWING IT

THAT'S
CLEAR
END ON
BATMAN.
BUT

BUT HOW DID YOU KNOW
THESE MOUNTAINS WERE
PHONEY? HOW DID YOU
KNOW WHERE TO FIND THE
DANGEROUS?

IT ALL RATES
BACK TO THE TIME
I INVESTED SOME
MONEY IN A MOVE
COMPANY THAT WAN-
TED TO MAKE A FILM
CALLED "THROUGH THE
AGES"

THE COMPANY BROUGHT CLEAR
LAND IN THE PLAINS PUT
UP THOSE STAGE SETS - TH
ONLY TWO OR THREE GOLD
BUILDINGS - AND THEN RENT
BACHE

I SUPPOSE THE
JOKER AND ALFRED
THEY GOT A BIG
IDEA AND SO GIV
THEM CLEAR

EXACTLY HE
GOT SOME THOS
TO TAKE THE PART OF
CIT ZENG. GOT THE
SAWY AND THE PRO-
FESSOR TO RUSTLE UP
EASY MARKS AND
WENT TO TOWN

I DONT KNOW WHO
TO BLAME MOST,
SWINDLERS OR
THE PEOPLE WHO
ARE STUPID
ENOUGH TO
BE SWINDLED

CAYS LATER

SO ALL - IS "THE"
MAC HE SET HIM
HAS A LONG
"IT ME" BE
HIND BARB
MIGHT I
MAKE SO BOLD
AS TO SUGGEST OR
THAT HIS FATE
SEEMS AT PRESENT
TO BE DE-
TERMINED HIS
FUTURE?

WHY
ALFRED -
I DON'T
THINK
YOU HAD
IN
THE

GET GOING!



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I don't always mean Wheaties."

like a champion
tomorrow morning!

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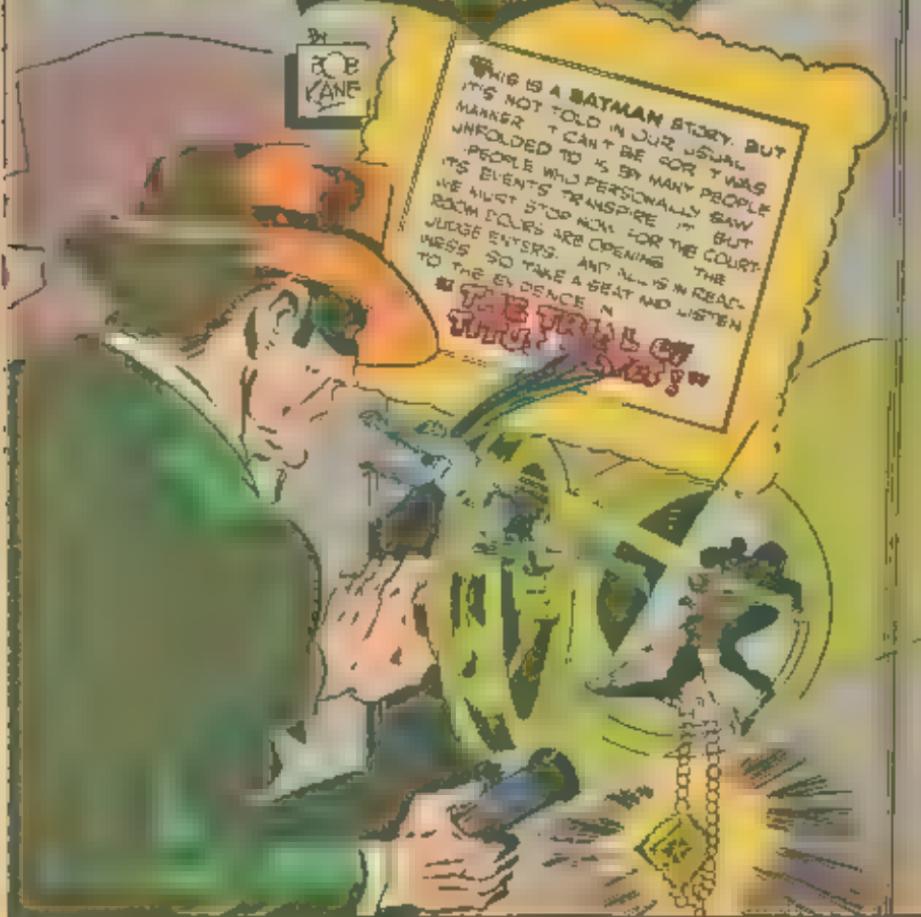


BATMAN

ROBIE

BY
BOB
KANE

THIS IS A BATMAN STORY. BUT IT'S NOT TOLD IN OUR USUAL MANNER. IT CAN'T BE FOR THATS UNFOLDED TO US BY MANY PEOPLE WHO PERSONALLY SAW ITS EVENTS TRANSPIRE. IT BUT WE MUST STOP NOW. FOR THE COURT ROOM DOORS ARE OPENING. THE JUDGE ENTERS, AND ALL IS IN READINESS. SO TAKE A SEAT AND LISTEN TO THE EVIDENCE IN THIS TRIAL OF A LIFETIME.





YOU ARE N.G.Y.
WATCHMAN FOR THE
ARGUS ELECTRIC
SUPPLY COMPANY.
WHAT TOOK PLACE
THERE ON THE
NIGHT OF
MAY 22ND?

WELL I'M
MAKIN' MY
ROUNDS AS
USUAL WHEN
I HEARS A
VERY
PEELOOOL AR
NOISE

SO I SAYS TO MSELSE "YAH" SAYS THAT'S EITHER RATS
OR BORGULS AND SURE ENOUGH IT WAS BOTH
OF THEM BORGULS

HANDS LA
UGH!



I'M NOT OUT LONG AND WHEN I OPENS THE PEPPERS
I'M TIED UP XE A CHRIS WAS PACKAGE AND IS
BATS HAS GOT THE SAFE OPEN

AFTER IT'S HALL AND
DE NECK ONE WIT LAP
SLIDES SALVAGE BOAT
WE'LL BE EATIN JAPAN
GOLD PLATES

SUP
TALKIN SO
AUCH SAD

THEN BELLS WENT OFF ALL OVER THE
PLACE



"HOLY COW!" SAID HE ASKED "WAS MY FOOT THAT
I SHOVED AGAINST AN ALARM BUTTON IN THE WALL?"

WHEN THE DOOR BANGED OPEN AND IN COMES

B-BATMAN
AND
ROBIN

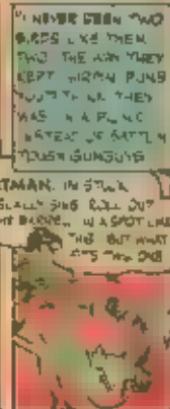
ALK ABOUT LUCK
ROBIN HERE WE
ARE LOOKING FOR
A LEAD TO THESE SAFE
SNEAKS AND
HERE THEY ARE

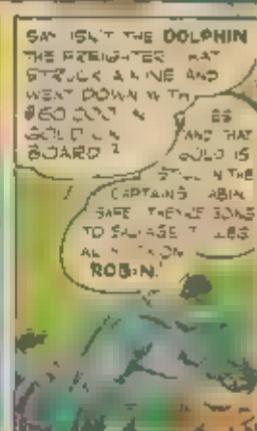
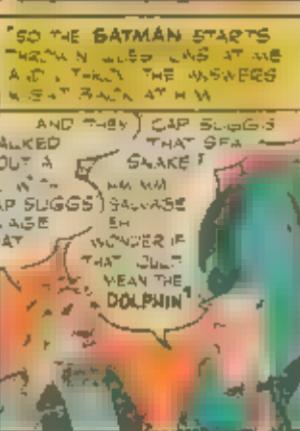
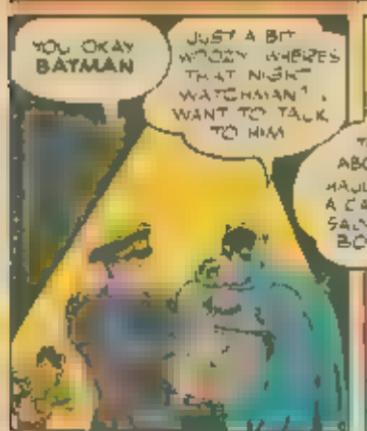
TEAM
W TU BELLS ON

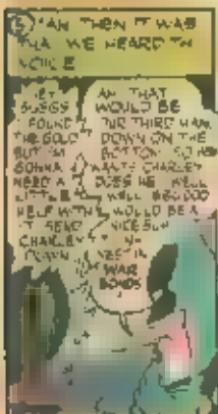
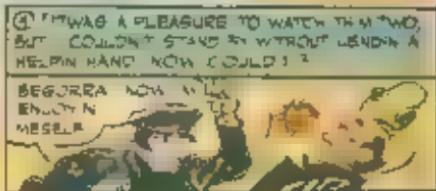
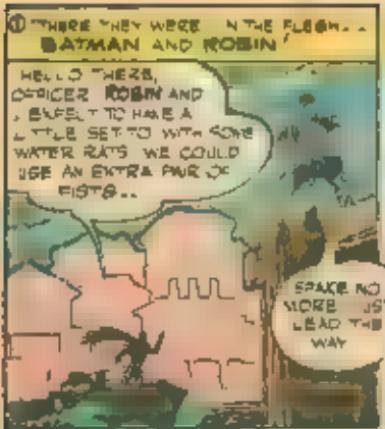
YOU
MEAN
WITH
BULBS ON
W TU BET
THE NOISE
HERE

"I NEVER SEEN TWO
GUYS LIKE THEM
TWO THE WAY THEY
KEPT HIDIN PUNK
TILL THE DAY THEY
WAS IN A PLANE
WANTED TO GATTIN
THOSE GUNGLINS

BATMAN, IN STIL
USUALLY SHIS CALL OUT
THE BURDEN, IS A SPOT LIKE
THIS BUT WHAT
CATS THE ONE





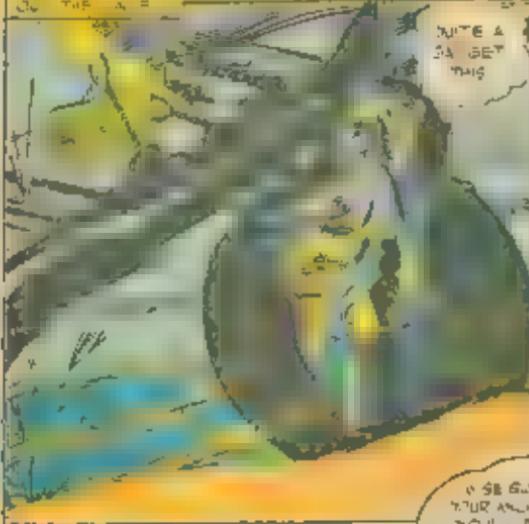


THE BATMAN COULD GET THE LEAD TO WORK IN THE TWO
HE HAD ALREADY IN HIS POCKET. IT WOULD BRING
ON THE AIR.

WHITE &
GET
THIS

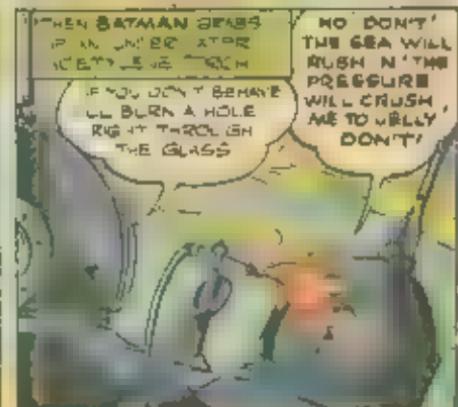
"AS AFTER THE SHOT IS FIRED UP
THAT THE CRACK ALMOST AS SHINES
IN SEAR, HUGS IN THE OTHER
OF A FACE PLATE."

"YEOW!
BATMAN!"



"I SEE YOU DONALD,
YOUR ARMOR, WHAT LOOSE
YOU'LL BE STRANDED
DOWN HERE. HA HA

A
NASTY
THOUGHT
AND A
NASTY
LAUGH



WELL SIR WE HEATED THEM ABOARD AND WE'RE
GOIN' TO GET THE PLUG OUT ALL ABOUT THE 20 DOLLARS.

THE CROOKS
THEY'RE GETTIN'
AWAY

WE...WE EZ
CATCH THEM NOW
NO MATTER
WE VE STILL GOT
ONE FISH ON
THE HOOK

WELL AM SURE
IT AINT
HOOD E NOLAN
ONE OF SLICK'S
OLD GANG

NOODLE,
OLD BEAN HOWS
ABOUT BEING A
ACE BOY AND TEL
LING US WHERE YOUR
BOSS IS? HE'S
SLICK FINGERS
ISN'T HE?

I DON'T KNOW
NOTHIN'

WE TOOK NOODLE TO YOUR HONOR THE DISTRICT
HEADQUARTERS BUT HE'S SOU
WILLON'T TALK

ATTORNEY IS PROVING THE
GUILTY ONE SLICK FINGERS
WHAT HAS THAT TO DO W TH MY
CLIENT TITUS KEYES?

THE
LEARNED LOUNSEL
FOR THE DEFENSE WILL
LEARN THAT RIGHT NOW
TALL POLE
COMMITTEE OVER
SURRON TO
THE STAND

BORON RE UNITS HIS COMBINATION
WITH BATMAN.

ONE THING PUZZLES
ME - THEY'RE SO
ADEPT AT OPE. WE
SAID WHY DON'T THEY
OPEN UP BULL VALLEY
CONTAINING HUGO
TERPES TS

SO WHAT DO THEY
RISK THEIR LIVES
BELOW THE SEA
WHEN THEY CAN
MAKE A BIGGER
AND SAFER HULL
ON LAND?

AND REMEMBER NO CHISELS
OR NITROGLYCERIN FORGE?
OPEN THOSE SAFFS THEY
WERE MADE AS EASY AS
IF THE PERSON KNEW
THE COMB NATIONS!
SAY. THAT'S AN IDEA.

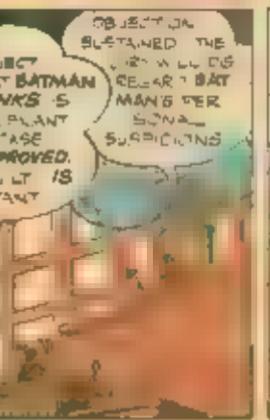
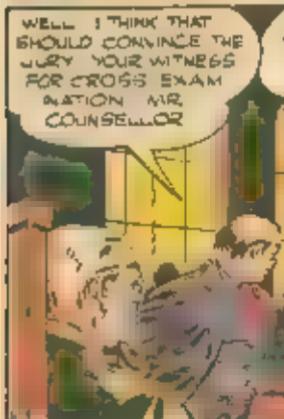
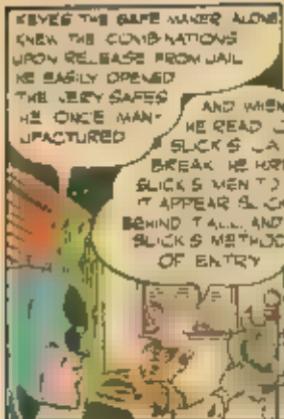
THOUGHT SO. THE DOLPHINS SAFE
AND EVERY SAFE THAT WAS ROBBED
WAS MADE BY ONE CONCERN. THE
TITUS KEYES SAFE COMPANY, A
COMPANY THAT GOT
OUT OF BUSINESS
IN 1920.

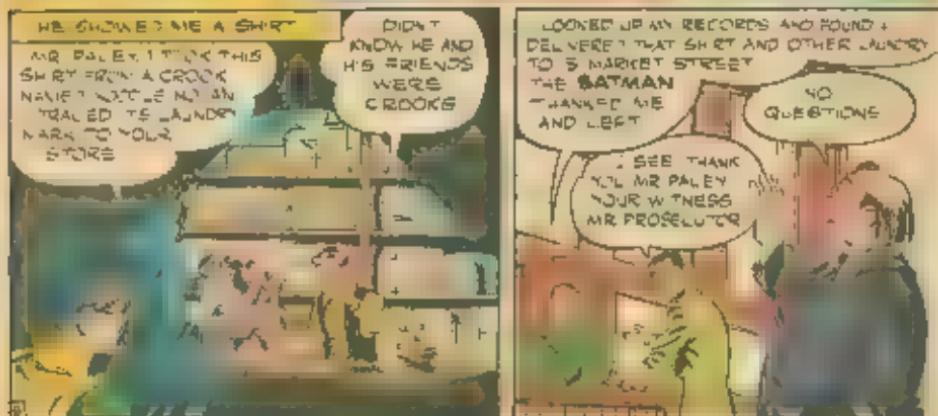


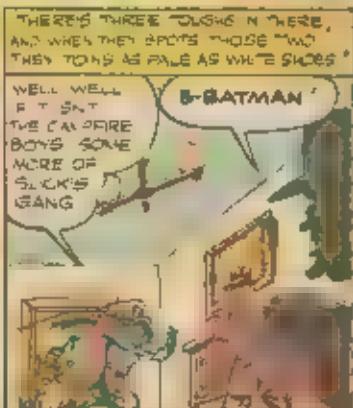
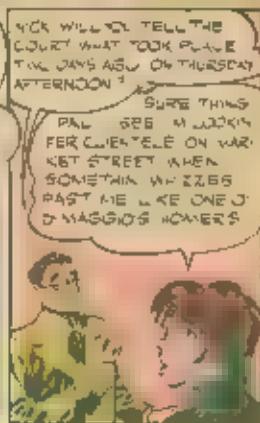
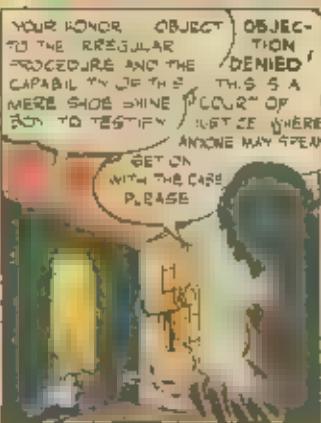
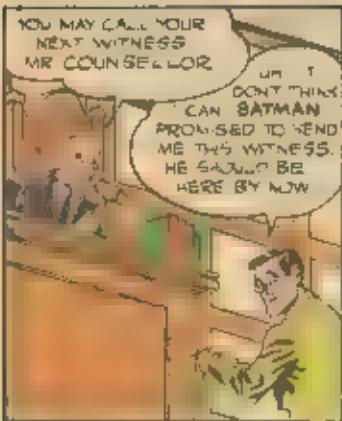
HERE T B TITUS KEYES
CONVICTED OF ATTEMPT AT
ROBBERY. CAUGHT ENJOYING
THE COMBINATION OF SAFE
MAFF FOR LOW CONCERN
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TITUS KEYES
VAL SLICK FINGERS
AFTER









"ONE OF THE THINGS I'M ALMOST
-I BATMAN FEELS IS AN
INOWE THAT HE'S FA
MAKES IN HEAR."

ONE DOWN
OR IS IT TWO?

"AN ALSO THE TWO ROBIN IS
MAN IN SUNE THE PUG
LOOK A LITTLE SIL AROUND
THE GUNS."

PHHEEEETP!

"WHAT'S YOU ORGANIN
ABOUT? THIS IS DUN ME
THREE + SHIN SHINES

"HOW ARE YOU BE DOWN UP
BY A KATU BASSARY AS
SHE'S HE'S ROBIN THE BOY
WONDER BUT IS SURE HE JUST
THE SUN VESS RIGHT ON THE
DOA E."

"AH AE
HAVE AN
ALLY."

"THEN THE BATMAN TAKES INTO THE AD USE. HE COVES
CUT THEM & HUNK A PAPER IN HIS ARM."

"I WAS RIGH ROBIN.
I FOUND IT NOW A
HAVE TO DO + HAS SLICK
FINGERS AND THE CASE
IS COMPLETE."

"AND DID THE BATMAN
END OUT A FEE
SLICK FINGERS
S 1."

"HE
SURE DID
BROTHER."

"HE'S IN
THIS COURTROOM
RIGHT NOW!"

"WHY,
YOU ... OUTA
MY WAY BEFORE
I BLAST YA."

"GOING
SOMEPLACE?"

WHY IS MY OLD
ROOM MATE THE
KIND HE CALLING

YOU MEAN YOUR OLD CELL MATE.
SLICK FINGERS. WITHOUT THIS
PINNEY BEARD, I FIGURED SLICK
WOULD BE BRAZEN ENOUGH TO COME
HERE TO SEE HOW HIS FRIEND KEEVES
WOULD WORK OUT. SO I
USED A RUSE TO MAKE HIM
REVEAL HIMSELF.

DID YOU
SAY 'CELL
MATE'?

YES. S.ICK WAS IN THE
SAME CELL WITH KEEVES
IN PRISON. BUT HE'S
TERRED UNTO HIS REAL
NAME. GEORGE COLLINS.
SLICK FINGERS IS HIS
ALIAS. THAT'S WHY KEEVES
DIDN'T RECALL HIM.



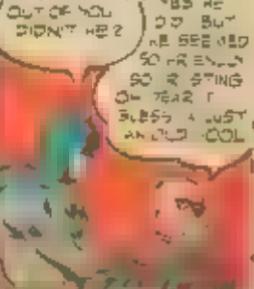
SEE THIS
IT CONTAINS
THE ATTEN-
COMB NATIONS
OF EVERY SAFE
KEEPS EVER
MADE

WHY MADE THIS LIST
YEARS AGO. KEPT IT
IN CASE ANY SAFE
OWNER SHOULD LOSE
A COMBINATION.
PLACED IT IN MY WARE-
HOUSE A WALL SAFE
FOR SAFE KEEPING.
I FORGOTTEN ALL
ABOUT IT.

FIGURED IT WAS SOME
THING I KNEW THAT
SEARCHED YOUR OLD WARE-
HOUSE AND FOUND THAT
SAFE - EMPTY! BUT,
FOUND THE LIST IN SLICK'S
GANGSTER HEADOUT. IT
ALL ADDS UP.

YOU'RE A NICE MAN, KEEVES.
BUT RATHER NAIVE. WHEN
SLICK WAS YOUR CELL
MATE HE SOMEHOW
WORKED OUT THAT

YES.
YES HE
DO BUT
DIDN'T HE?
HE SEEDED
SO FRIENDLY
SO RUSTLING
ON TEAR T
BLUES A JUST
AN OLD COL



UPON LEARNING THE TRUE FACTS THE JURY MAKES ITS VERDICT
WITHOUT EVEN RETRAG

WE FIND THE DEFENDANT
THIS KEEVES ... NOT GUILTY!

YEA
YAHOO
HOORAY

ORDER ORDER
IN THE COURT,
COUGH-COUGH



ORD OH
NEVER MIND. I'M
GOING HOME TO TRY
THAT HOT-LE CHADE
AND BATTERS



O, PARING UP PERTINENT
POW IN HISTORY THAT
I F FOR BIG CO. I WOULD
BE TELLING YOU WHAT
DO YOU THINK? THE GFS
WANTED TO PUBLISH THE
BULL BUT I TALKED THEM OUT
OF IT. THEY ARE THE FANS
MANTIC ED BROWN HE
SAID THE TRUTH
IS HAVING TO DO THE
LAW SUITS IN EVERY
CASE.

HEAVY METAL

CONTRARY TO ANY PREDICTION
ED BROWN'S PREDICTION THAT MAY
BE A LITTLE OVER-CONFIDENT
ABOUT HIS FUTURE - HE HAS
NEVER BEEN SO RIGHT.

EACH FEATURING HER
MAY BEAN IN STORE



THE NEW NUMBER ONE
MAY NOT APPROVE THE PREDICTION
SHE IS THE ONLY ONE IN THE
REVERSE. WE AREN'T WE
NAMED AFTER THE SIDE?

WE AREN'T WE AT
DOOM'S DEATH AGAIN,
FOLK'S THINKING
SECOND TIME'S THE CHARM!



WE AREN'T WE AT DOOM'S DEATH AGAIN, THE
SECOND TIME'S THE CHARM - WE AREN'T WE
NAMED AFTER THE SIDE? SINCE THEN A LOT OF THINGS
HAVE CHANGED BUT WE AREN'T WE TO THIS VERY DAY



AN NOW MIN' DID
YOU ADORN IT P
MY LIL' WALLET?

SHOOOSH!
BUT COMPLETELY

I DON'T WANT TO
PICK ON YOU, BUT
IT'S GOING TO TAKE
ME ALL NIGHT WORK)

IT'S A SET OF MY
JEWEL'S FIRST A SODA
T. J. LEE



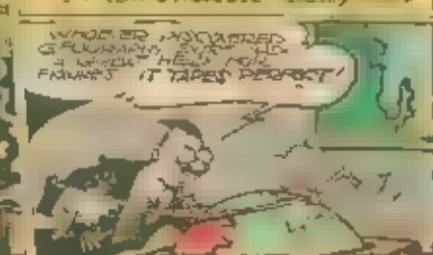
THE NEW NUMBER ONE'S OVER
DID NOT HEAR. RELEASING
OUR OWN STUFF IS GOING
(NOT TO OUR JOY) IN
THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION
IN WASHINGTON D.C.



IT WASN'T MEANT TO
LET IT GO ON THE
NET, BUT IT'S
DOING A LOT OF
GOOD AND AN ACT



AM I STILL SAY
THAT THE OTHER SIDE
IS WORSE THAN
THE COLD?



AND BY GODDESS EVELY IS THE EXACT
SYNTHETIC IN THE EXACT COLOR
IS FROM BY GODDESS EVELY

WHO'D MARRIED
GODDESS EVELY?
A WOMAN HE'D NEVER
FRIENDED IT TAPES PERIOD!

BATMAN

ROBIN

A POLICE
DIVISION STORY

ONCE AGAIN BATMAN AND ROBIN TAKE YOU ON A VIST WITH ANOTHER UNIT OF THE POLICE FORCE--THE HARBOUR PATROL!! DIRECT US SEA TRAFFIC, A DINGY CRAFT IN DISTRESS, WOULD-BE SLUGGERS--THESE ARE GONE OR THE DUTIES OF THIS OBSCUREOUS BRANCH, BUT THE PRINCIPAL DUTY IS TRAPPING THOSE VULTURES OF THE PIER, THOSE ALDUBER BULLDOZERS OF THE WATERFRONT--HARBOUR PIRATES! PIRATES! THAT WORD SHOULD BE INVITATION ENOUGH FOR A THE LLND PLAIN BANG ADVENTURE ABOARD THE ROARING MOTOR LAUNCH OF -- TO THE LAWMEN OF THE SEA!! DO

EARLY ONE MORNING AT THE
HOME OF BIRKIE WAYNE

WHAT?
WHAT ARE
YOU PUTTING
INTO BATMAN'S
COSTUME
FOR?

DON'T YOU RE-
MEMBER? TO-DAY'S
THE DAY WE VISIT
WHALE ONE OF
THE BRANCHES
OF THE POLICE
DEPARTMENT

YOU'RE DOING
TO SEE ACT ON
WITH POLICE-
MEN WHO GO
TO SEA THE
HARBOR
PATROL

HOT DOG
SEA COPS
LET'S GET
GOING

SOMETIME LATER AS BAT-
MAN AND ROBIN THEY BOARD
A SPEEDY POLICE LAUNCH
BEARING THE THREE MAN
CREW

HELLO SERGEANT ANGELS
NICE OF YOU TO INVITE US
ABOARD

THIS IS WILLIE BINGER
OUR WHEELMAN WE
CALL HIM
WHATTIN
WHILE
SUSS WHY

HOWDY BATMAN!
HOWDY ROBIN!
HERE'S A STATODD
OF YORE
SIDE KICK

GLAD TO
HAVE YOU NOW
TO LIKE YOU TO
MEET MY CREW

AND THIS IS
SPINNER
POWELL

NICE OF YOU
TO REMEMBER
ME

SEE THANGS

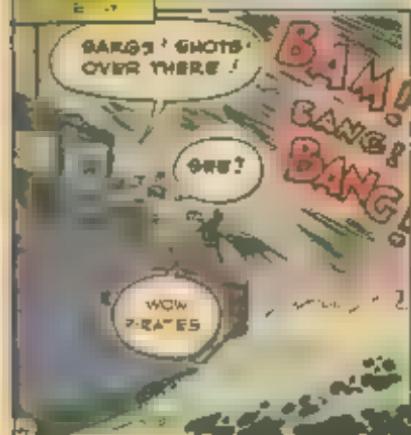
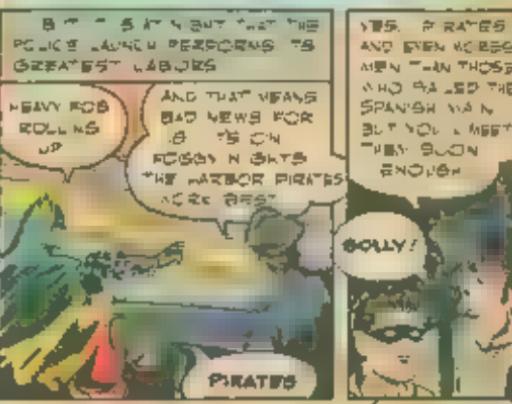
AND NOW TO INTRODUCE
YOU TO THE WATERFRONT
YOU'LL BE SEEING PLENTY
OF IT WHILE YOU'RE WITH
US - LET'S DO
WHALE

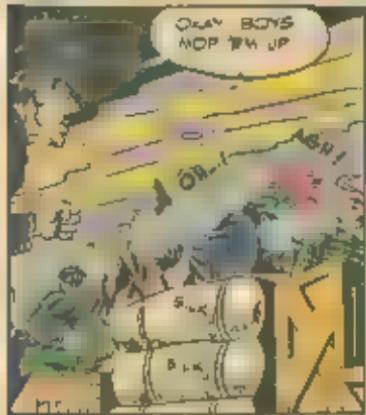
A ROAR OF ITS POWERFUL MOTORS,
AND THE GURK LAUNCH STARTS
FORWARD THROUGH THE WAVES
CARRYING BATMAN AND ROBIN
INTO AN ADVENTURE CROWDED WITH
THE LLS

RIGHT
BARGE SOON
AS I CLEAN UP
THIS LITTER









RED FLAMES STAB THROUGH THE NIGHT
AS THE POLICE LAUNCH SLOWLY CLOSES
THE GAP BETWEEN THE TWO BOATS

SHARK HAWKEY
ISN'T HE THE ONE
THEY CALL THE
SHARK?

YEAR THE
FLICKERED HARBOUR
DEATH OF THEM
ALL WE'VE BEEN
AFTER HIM FOR
MONTHS COULDN'T
GET NEAR HIM
MAYBE WE'LL GET
LUCKY TONIGHT

A SHOT OF LEAD BREAKS THE
POLICE SEARCHLIGHT

CRASH!

WOW!
THAT WAS
CLOSE

THEY'RE ALMOST
ON TOP OF US SET
THAT LIGHT SOMEBODY
GET THAT
SEARCHLIGHT

AS THE POLICE SWING THE
LIGHT WITH A NEW SWEEP THE
PIRATE LAUNCH RACES AWAY

JAW HAW THAT'L
TEACH 'EM NOT TO
GO LOOKIN' FOR
ROUBLE

NICE
THINKIN'
SHARK

THE POLICE POSSIBLY PURSUE THE
SPEDDING PIRATE LAUNCH BUT
WHEN THE SEARCHLIGHT AGAIN
COVERS THE WATER

TO DONE
THE PIRATE
BOAT IS
GONE

WE WERE RIGHT
ON TO 'EM
WHERE COULD
T HAVE DONE?

SURE IS
A STICKER
BLAMED IT
I CAN
FOLBEE T
OLY

LATER THAT NIGHT

SAYING TO
PAST ROBIN'S
BOAT HE SORRY
WE HAVE TO LEAVE
NOW BUT WE'LL
SEE YOU AGAIN
TOMORROW
NIGHT WE'RE
GOING TO FOLLOW THIS

GOOD!

LAST
AUGUST
TODAY

"SARGE, SAW WHO
THE HANGDOG
EXPRESSION?"

"THE NEXT NIGHT"

"WHITT, HOW I LIVED
MISSING SPAKER.
LAS A HUNCH HE AT THE
BLOD INTO THE SHACKS
- DEOT AND THE
SHARK PIT
A LITTLE
THE WAY

"WILLIE TOLD
ME HE HAD AN
IDEA WHERE THE
SHARK GUY BE
HE OUT SAD
HE WAS GOING TO
LOOK AROUND
AND CHECK
ON IT

"DO ANY IDEA
WHERE HE LIGHT
HAVE BEEN?"

"WE EL IV'S AN
IDEA I'M BOUT
BE THAT OLD
HULSEBOAT
NEAR THE 33RD
PIER. HE SMOKED
WANTED TO
POKE AROUND
HERE."

"AFTER THE LA LA
UPPED TOWARD THE
OLD HE SEDUDED

"THAT'S
A"

"LITTLE LOOKS
LIKE IT READY
TO FALL APART
ANY MINUTE"

"I CERTAINLY
HOPE WILLE'S
ON IT"

"ABOARD THE OLD TIBS"

"JODD
- LIKE YOU
WERE WRONG,
SPAKER"

"YES,
THIS BOAT
DON'T LOOK
OCCUPIED TO
ME."

"WHY DIDN'T
YOU SAY SO?
CHONALIE'S GOT
SICK."

"WHAT I
FOUND
SOMETHING

"LOOK WOOD
SWAYING FROM
WHITLED WOOD

"WILLE HE USUALLY
POCKETS THE SAM
KID TO KEEP OUR
ANCH NEAT. THEY
MUST HA'E FALLEN
OUT WHEN HE WAS
DEBOARD ALONE
HERE."

"HERE'S
WHERE THE
TEAL ENDS SO
HE V BY BE
BEING HERE
WELL SOLA
SEE -"

"WILLIE!"

"HOO!"

"SHH"

WE'RE GOING
ON THE MEET
HERE ON EIN A
WHEE BEE BY
A BUT WE SHOULDN'
NO LINGER THERE
GOING TO AKA
WE BE ANGE
BALL TRUCKS
BEING PFERED
OVER THE
RIVER

THE FERRY?
WILL HE
CAN GET IN
CATCH THEM

DAMNS
WERE NOT
BLIND TO
HAVE ANY
PROBLEMS
TODAY

YEAH WELL,
THE FERRY
DAM'S SLY
PASSES THROUGH
THE KOG
THAT HANGS
OVER THE
WATER



GEEZ AGAN,
CH ME TOUT THOSE
GATS BEFORE WE
BLAST YA ALL
OVER THE
WATER



WADDEN, THE BLAST OF A GUN
BUT I D NOT USE SHARK TWO FRIES.
I WISH SHARK
WANTS TO SEE YA
AGAN

WH TYING WILLIE?
I KNEW WE
SHOULD AKE
DAT GUY

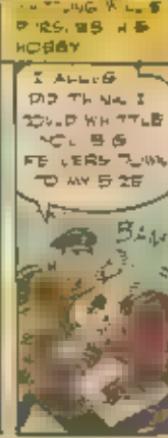


HEY SPAKER
ON
ABC TO ONE
OF IT Z
ALL SAME
LAND
HERE?

RUST LET'S ISSE
THE OLD WEPSE
FOR AAT UN
REP SIGNALS
ON?



YAHOO! RIGT
THROUFL FOR
THE TONG-DOWN



WATTING ALES
PIRS, BS HS
HOBBY

I ALLIGS
DID THNA I
SHOULD WH TYLE
YOU IS
FE LERS DOWN
TO MY S 25



THE ETTEN KILLERS ARE TRYING TO GET AWAY! I'LL STOP THEM!

THEY'RE GOING TO
GOIN P. UP
L'D I BE
THEY HAD
HIS PARD

HE'S TRYING TO
TACKLE THAT WHOLE
MOB BY HIMSELF
ROBIN! COME BACK!

BUT ROBIN IS TOO CRAZED IN THE
SEEP TO BATTLE WITH SHILL AND
SHINKE

TOUGH LITTLE SG. RT
EH? YOU'RE GONNA GET
WHAT THE BATMAN GOT
OKAY, I'LL GET THIS
HEAP MOVIN'

BEFORE IT CAN ALLY APPEN J T HE
BATMAN LEAPS BACK TO THAT TEE
2 SLE MOVEN AS THE LINE FIGHTER
FAKED DEATH.

BATMAN! LOOK OUT!

THE SLIP!
THE SLIP!

W.H.
HEAD
DOWN,
THE
SLIP
ON THE
FERRY CLIP!
I'LL BE
CRUSHED!.
GOT TO DO
SOMETHING...

AND THEN BATMAN DOVE
SO FAST BENEATH THE FERRY
THAT ONLY HIS FLATTERIN CAPE
VAS CL ST AND TURNED

AND WHEN HE ROSE TO THE
SURFACE HE GRABBED A
DANGLING RUFF A ROPE
THAT DREW FROM THE
PIRATE LAUNCH!

GET MORE
SPEED
CA

HEY
SHARK
IN WATER
GODS IS
COMIN' UP
FAST

AND JUST BRINGS IT TO THE
PRESENT BY ITAG MOVENT AS
THE LAWREN OF HE GEAR PURSUE
THE HARBOUR PRITES

THEY'RE STILL
TOO FAR AWAY
TO SPOT IS WE'LL
GIVE THEM THE GO-BY
LIKE WE ALWAYS DO
I'LL RADIO THE BOYS
NOW

AND SOMEWHERE
NEARBY THAT RADIO
MESSAGE IS RECEIVED

HELLO
HEAD
COMIN' IN
COMIN' IN
GET READY

OKAY

THE BOSS IS
COMIN' IN GET
STARTED

NOW I'M GOING TO SEE
HOW THEY TRICK THE LAW
SOI POLICE WITH THE
BATMAN WERE
ALIVE TO SEE
ME TOO

AND AS ROBIN WATCHES SUDDENLY THE SEA SEEMS
TO OPEN UP!

UNDER THE COVER OF THE FOG, THE
GHOST ENTERS THE SUB HATCH

GREAT
GALLOPIN' GHOST!
IT'S A WATER
LOCK!
A SUB SEA
WATER
LOCK!

THERE SHE
IS BONSAI.

THIS IS THE PIRATE SECRET - A HIDDEN UNDER
THE SEA

OKAY,
KID NOW THAT
YO BEEN
EVERYTHING
I'M GOING TAKE
SURE YO ANT
TALK N SAY
YOUR
PRAYERS.

THE HATCH DOORS CLOSE.
THE WALK BULL-DOZED
AND THE SILENT WATERS
CLOSE OVER THE

H, ROBIN! I PRAYIN' N I
MIGHT SHOW UP?

BATMAN'
ALIVE!

USE LEVERS
OPERATE THE WALK FI
CAN KEEP THESE VIBES BUSY
I COULD SEND THE WALK UP AND
OPEN THE HATCH SO THE POLICE CAN GET IN

BATTING BLIPPING, SOCKING BATMAN
KEEPS THE PIRATES SO DIZZY THAT AS HIS
FISTS FLY THEY MIGHT BE MANEUVERING

AT ONE LEVER THE JACK
IS GOING NOW FOR THE
SECOND LEVER

SPLASH POW!

HEY!
STOP HIM!
HE'S
PUSHED
ONE OF THE
LEVERS
BACK

SO HAVE YOU
WHAT ARE YOU
SQUAWKIN'
ABOUT...

AND THE POLICE STILL CROUCHING
THE VANTAGE FOR A CLUE TO THE
VANISHED PRATE LAUNCH, SLOWLY CAPE MEN

SARGE!
LOOK AT THAT!
JUMPIN'
GILA MONSTERS!

GRIM AND CAPABLE, THE AIRCRAFT COPIES
POLENTURE ON THE OPEN HATCH
AND HAVE THE SITUATION WELL IN
HAND.

AND SO WITH THE SHARKS
END COMES THE END OF
AN ADVENTURE

OKAY, YOU WATER RAT,
UP TO YOUR HANDS

WE GET 'EM
HIGH!

LET'S SEE
THE COLOR
OF YOUR
HANDS

ARE YOU
KIDDING? FROM NOW
ON WHENEVER WE FEEL
LAZY WE'LL JUST THINK
OF THE TOUGH JOB YOU
MEN DO AND THAT WILL
STIR UP A FEW APPLES

TO SHOOT AT

SO LONG!

ED SUGARLAND
THE HARBOUR POLICE,
BUT HE'LL BE BACK
AGAIN IN A THREE
STORY OF A DIFFERENT
POLICE IS ON
WATCH FOR IT!

CLANCY THE COP



CLANCY
THE COP

THAT'S GOING TO GIVE FOR
THE PRACTICE BLACKOUT. I BETTER
KEEP MY EYES PEASUED.



NOW!

BATMAN

AEM YOUR LOCAL THEATER
MANAGER FOR
DATE OF
EPISODE NO. 1

ET T P A L A F V S . E A R T H T E T H E S U P E R M A N D C O M I C M A G A Z I N E S

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scar on his right cheek "I might add," he said. "that you are a very fortunate man to be carrying the cargo you do." His thin lips tightened. "Otherwise, you would be sunk."

Tracy watching Captain Blaney's face, saw the man start. He knew what Blaney was thinking. How had the ~~older~~ learned of their cargo? Keaveny was precious, ran one?

Almost as though he had divined Blaney's thoughts, the Nazi said: "Our intelligence operates quite effectively, Herr Captain." He shrugged. "It is very unfortunate that we did not have enough bottoms to take your convoy. But our Stukas by now have done a good job." Then grinning, "You, however, are quite a prize. Then, as an after thought, his eyes narrowing, "You will be confined to your wardroom, gentlemen. And the Von E is ours now. Try no tricks."

"Tricks," Captain Blaney exploded, when they were all plodded, when the two men had been locked in the room. He was silent. Tracy. It was a question to you. I'm sorry. I'll fight it out.

teen years I've been in the Navy. Martin and me, we're on our own bus.

He leaned his silence, stood motionless at the Nazi's side, regarding the door.

Brown raised his throat. "May be something will happen. Captain Tracy, I say."

Blaney held his hand. "Never mind, Tracy. I've been to war, the sea, many years and this never happened to me. In the last war my men

would have fought the 'Emden' herself. My own men—"

Tracy's face reddened. He got the implication, but held his tongue. After all, it had been Blaney who had ordered no fighting. Not that he would have fought. You don't beat big guns with a smaller one. No, it was totally untrue that caused for using a man's head, just as they had plotted out in the indoctrination course.

The Murkin groaned on, heading according to the talk above. Nazi going outside the door of an occupied port "Ja," he said happy to converse in his own German with Tracy. "This is a rich prize. Machines, will be made from what you have in the hold?"

Tracy shuddered. They will be agreed.

Captain Blaney looked up shortly. "I wouldn't like to do much. I would like to be safe." You can't be safe once in a while, he added. He turned to the door. He

an American. Cruisers sailed in front of them, like greyhounds leading mastiffs.

The Von E was doomed. The fox at last had been trapped. The battle was over soon and the Von E would never again raid the seas. She was beneath the waves.

Captain Blaney, beside himself with happiness, welcomed the American Lieutenant, who came aboard. The Lieutenant said: "It sure was lucky our running into you, Captain. Instantly the other ships of your convoy are safe and well on the way to Murmansk." He showed his hand. "You sure must be a good sailor with such luck holding the pencil."

"It wasn't luck."

An eye turned on Brown. Tracy's face went beet red and Brown felt his arms around his shoulders. The English here wanted the white flag. He quickly turned to Captain Blaney. "You see, Sir," he said.

Enough. Tracy knew we were using an anti-magnetic compass. He knew of the iron in our hold. So he had me bring the old compass, knowing I won't do it true. So the 'Marlin' instead of going due north, went south. The Von E followed, nor daring to signal—and not knowing, as Ensign Tracy did, that your task force was in these waters." He grunted again. It was a long shot against him, and was a "Gangster" he added, "the Navy won."

Captain Blaney leaned weakly against the rail. He looked stupidly at Tracy for a moment, then his eyes twinkled. "I'll say the Navy did," he said. "Shaken, Admiral!"

BATMAN

ROBIN

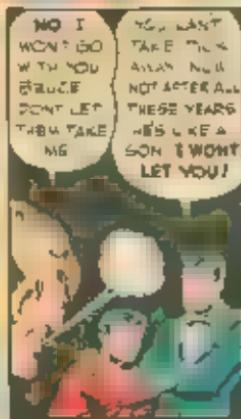


CAN YOU REMEMBER WHEN
BATMAN FIRST TOOK IN CHARGE
A YOUNG BOY NAMED DICK
GRAYSON WHOSE PARENTS THE
FLYING CROWNS OF LIEGE
FAVE HAD DIED IN A TRAGIC
FALL FROM THEIR TRADE SE?

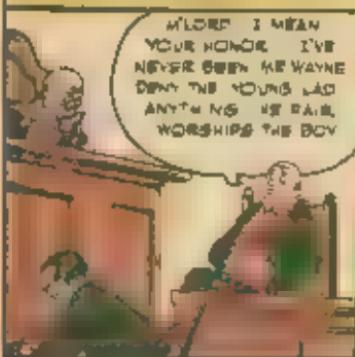
SINCE THAT DAY THE MUTUAL
AFFECTION BETWEEN THIS MAN
AND BOY HAS BEEN AS STRONG
AS THAT BETWEEN FATHER AND
SON.

BUT NOW THAT COMRADESHIP
IS FINISHED. FOR IT'S ONE UN-
PLEASANT DUTY TO RELATE THAT

"**BOB MAYBE LOSSES
THE GUARDIANSHIP
OF DICK GRAYSON!**"



TRUE TO HIS WORD, UNCLE GEORGE TAKES THE CASE TO COURT. ALFRED IS THE FIRST WITNESS.



IN A STRANGE VOICE, BRUCE ADDS HIS TESTIMONY.

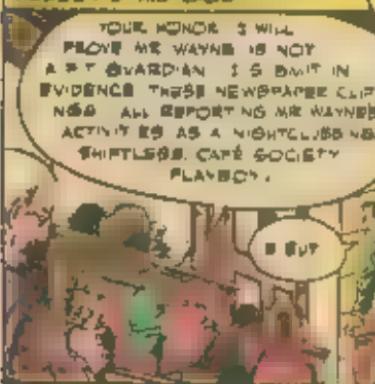


DICK IS CALLED.

AND WHEN MOM AND POP DIED IN THE LOCUS, I WAS ALL ALONE. THEN BRUCE AND WAYNE TOOK ME IN. A FELLA COULDN'T WANT A BETTER FRIEND.



THEN UNCLE GEORGE'S LAWYER PRESENTS HIS CASE.



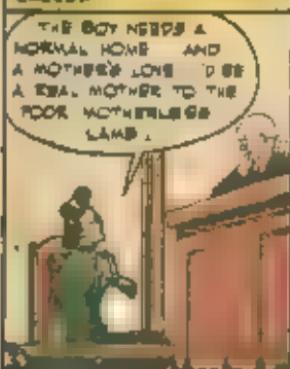
DICK IS LIKE MY OWN SON. I'VE EVEN CHANGED MY WILL SO THAT, IN CASE OF MY DEATH, DICK WILL GET MY ENTIRE FORTUNE. YOUR HONOR, I LOVE THAT BOY. PLEASE DON'T TAKE HIM FROM ME.



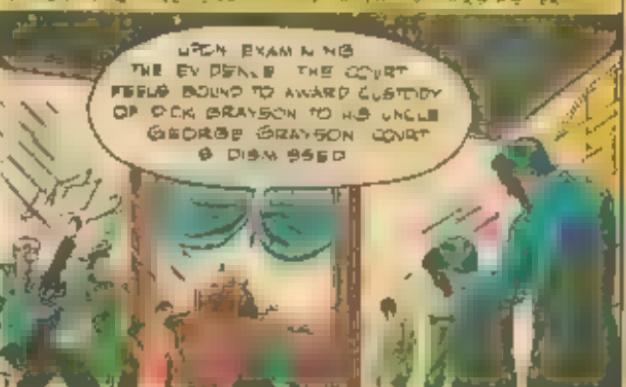
NOTHING YOUR HONOR. WHAT CAN I DO? I CAN'T TELL THE JUDGE THAT MY PLAY BOY ACT IS ONLY CAMOUFLAGE FOR MY BATMAN WORK.



FINALLY, AUNT CLARA IS CALLED.



AFTER A CLOSER REPORT, THE JUDGE TAKES ME EX.



NEXT MORNING A GUT CASE IS PARKED IN THE WAYNE HOME

I GUESS THE BATMAN WILL BE WORKING ALONE NOW BUT I'D SORTA LIKE TO TAKE THE LEAD FOR OLD TIMES SAKE

YEAH PIZZU TIE'S SAKE

BATMAN
I'D LIKE TO TAKE ONE AND LOOK AND SEE THE PLATES

SURE SURE

BRAVELY HIS EYES ALMOST BURNED BY EARS DICK STANIS IN THE GARAGE HE'S GOING THE BATMOBILES AND BAT-PLANES

YOU BETTER CHECK THE MOTOR IF IT DON'T SOUND TELL ME YES YESTERDAY SNIFFIN' SHIT

I DO IT TOMORROW

FOR A MOMENT, IN THE VAST TROPHY ROOM THE TWO FORGET THE PRESENT AS THEY RE-MEMBER THE PAST

REMEMBER THIS LYZBELLA OF THE PENGUIN? THIS ONE SHOT BULLETS

YES AND RE BISER WHEN THE JOKERS GANG WORE THESE MASKS WE HE SAW A THOUSAND JOKERS WE WERE CRAZY HA HA

THAT THEY

SORRY BATMAN TO USE PRETENDING I DON'T KNOW HOW I'M GOING TO STAND IT

EASY, PIZZA BE A GOOD SOLDIER

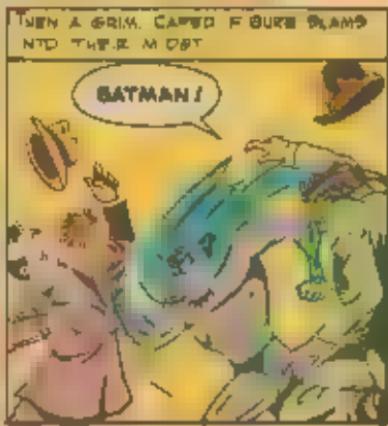
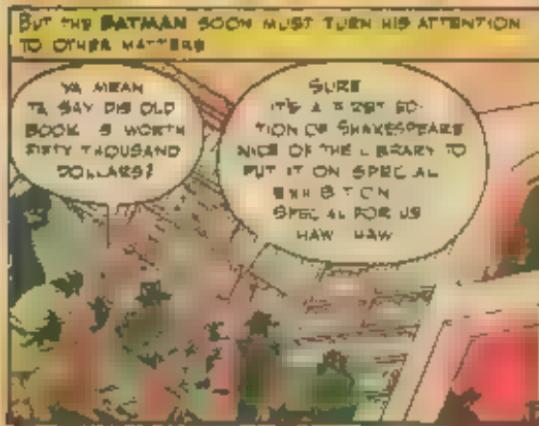
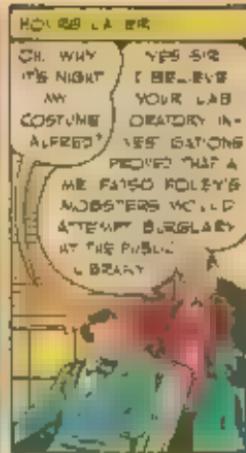
AND SOON IT IS TIME FOR GOODBYES

G-GOODBYE ALREADY I HOPE YOU'LL COME AND VISIT ME SOMETIME

I SHALL BE GLAD TO SNIFF MAWSTEEN DICK

EXCUSE ME DICKIE B





TONIGHT THERE ARE
NO MERRY CHIPS
ON THE BATMAN'S
LIPS, FOR HE FIGHTS
SILENTLY IN ALL OF
THE JOY OF BATTLE



AND IT IS SOON APPARENT HE FIGHTS WITHOUT
INTEREST OR PURPOSE AS WELL. HIS PUNCHES
ARE WIDE, HAVING S ALL OFF -- AND AT
CALIBER DANGER MENACES HIM



THEN BEEN NOLY TO COME FROM NOWHERE, A
COLORFUL FIGURE RACES FULL-THILT INTO THE
DANGER PATH



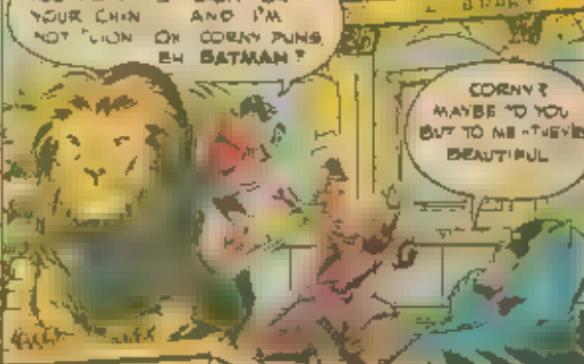
C'MON, WHAT DO YOU
SAY WE GIVE THESE
PUNKS THE OLD
ONE TWO?



REUNITED WITH ROBIN, BAT-
MAN IS HIS OLD SELF AGAIN



LOOKS LIKE MY
FOOTPRINT'S "LION" ON
YOUR CHIN
AND I'M
NOT "LION" ON COIN PUNS,
EH, BATMAN?



IN THE HEARTS OF THE HEARTS, ARTERIES OF
THE FOLEY RAUCOUS HEAD

FLASH!
BATMAN AND ROBIN
DECLARED WAR ON PATSY
FOLEY THIS EVENING WHEN
THEY NABBED FOUR OF
HIS HENCHMEN IN
THE MIDDLE OF A
ROBBERY.

BATMAN
AND ROBIN
AGAIN BLAST
THEM. I GIVE
MY RIGHT ARM
TO BREAK UP
THAT COMB
NATION.

KEEP YOUR RIGHT ARM, PATSY. THAT
FAMOUS LR ME BUSTING COMBINATION
IS ALREADY BROKEN UP.

WHEN I
REMEMBERED
OUR LAB
WORK ON
PATSY'S
MONSTERS
I KNEW WE
NEED HELP
SO I SNEAKED
OUT.

THANKS ROBIN BY TOLD
BETTER SNEAK BACK IN
AGAIN BEFORE UNCLE GEORGE
ENDS YOU KISSING AND
ROBIN. DUN DUN STALKS
OUT. I WON'T BE FOR
ONE PROMISE
YOU.

OH-OH
FOOTSTEPS
I WON'T HAVE TO
CHANGE BETTER
AS THIS IS A
AND HOP RIGHT
TO BED.

MRS.
SLEEPING

GOOD
GOOD

BUT DOWN THE RD.

NOW
I CAN TAKE
THIS LOVELY
WIFE AND
BLAZES OFF
FOR A WHILE
AND
NOW WE
GIVE HER
BULL NAME
A ZAG
YES
HE

LOOK! BATMAN ISN'T HOME
JUST YESTERDAY HE RELENTS THE CALL

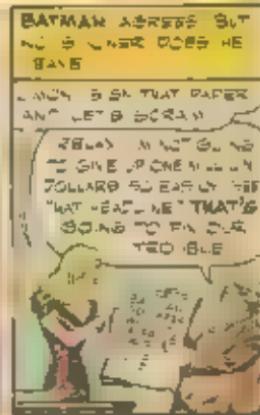
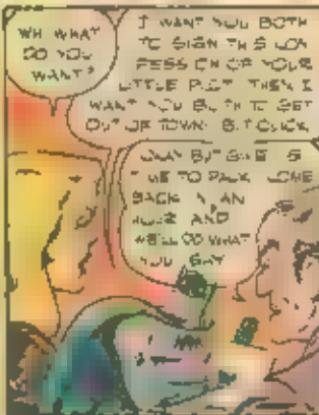
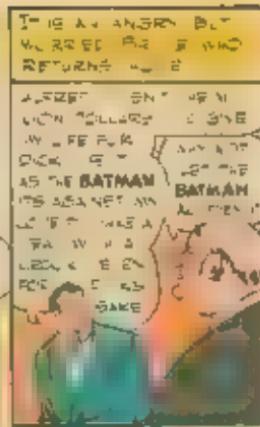
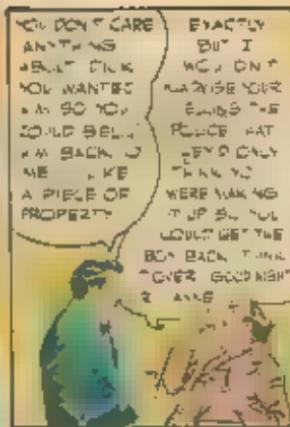
MR. WAYNE?
MR. WAYNE?
I
WANT
IF YOU COULD
COULD
BE HERE RIGHT
AWAY. IT'S VERY
IMPORTANT.

WHY
YES OF
COURSE

LET'S SEE THA UNCLE GEORGE
AND MARY KELLY IN SPITE OF
THEIR METHODS ARE ACTUALLY
INTERESTING AS WE FARE?

SOON

MR. WAYNE
ISN'T HE RIGHT
TO THE POINT? HOW
WOULD YOU LIKE
TO BUY BACK
PICK
GRAYSON?
WHAT?



"THOU' LOSS OF TIME UNCLE
SINCE WE LEFT OUT FIBO ADLEY
AND THE BETTS WIFE AND

WERE'S YOUR CHANCE TO GET
BIG OR HOW WE'LL BE BACK IN
A LITTLE WHILE / SIGNED MM

~~WILL~~ SAWA MY BUDS
WILL BE WAITING FOR ME
AND THEN I'LL COME -
SO ASH THE BATMAN -
JUST LIKE THAT

AND SO THE BATMAN LIVES ON

WEDNESDAY P
G E M & "PA" CONFERENCES
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WELL BE WAITING
AND THEN IN SONN
SO ASK THE BUTTER
JUST LIKE THAT

A colorful illustration of a group of people in a classroom setting. A teacher at the front holds up a speech bubble containing the text "VA VA".

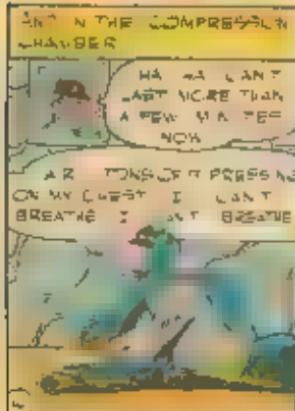
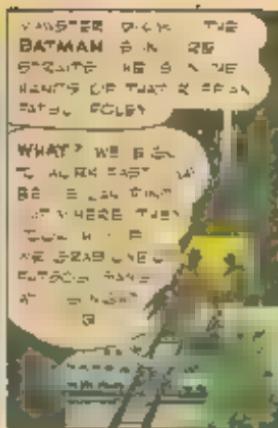
SOMETIME LATER BATMAN AWAKENS INSIDE A SALVAGE BARGE ON THE RIVER.

OR I SEE
THE DAY WILL COME
WHEN GERMANS,
HELD PRISONERS

HELLO BATMAN! SEE
WHAT'S BEEN IS GONE &
DECOMPRESSION WAS BEEN
SAL ABE FATHER DEE TO
STOP IS IT'S THROWN
HIM IN BOYS!

HA HA MAKE WAR OR FATE
POLY WILL KNOW HOW TOES
IT FEELS TO HAVE THOUSANDS
OF POUNDS OF AIR PRESSURE
ON YOU BATMAN? HA HA

**BATMAN'S
V.A.
THE SH
SECRET WORL
ALIVE
FANTASY
FLESH &
FREE
VAN
S
MURKIN
- R
ROBIN
DEATH T
WORLD
ANY MIND
BAPTIST**



IN ROBIN'S CAPABLE HANDS, A RUBBER HORSE
BELLING & BILL WIP



BATMAN SEES THE END OF THE HORSE AND
WALKS UP HIS TOWER



BU 'THAT FANCY TALKIN' LUG SUDENLY POINTS THE
LUGRE LA AT THE CAR BUNG KERS ANT



AS ONE MAN, THE TWO GUY SPINNIN'
IT DOWN ON THE FLOOR THEN



IF YOU HAD OPENED THE DOOR
BATMAN WOULD HAVE GOT
TEN THE "BENDS" WE MUST
RET TO THE AIR PRESS RE
A THERE SLOWLY SLOWLY



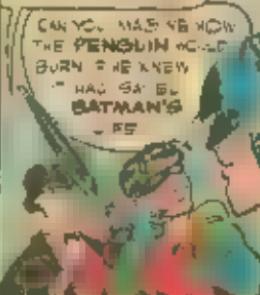
END SO SCOTT WE LATER

ARE
YOU GO ME
ALL RIGHT,
SER?

YES
THANKS TO
YOU AND
ROBIN!

HOT WE
ALFRED THE
HERO SAY
I STILL DONT
UNDERSTAND
ABOUT THAT
BRELLA

OH, THIS, SIR? I TOOK THE
LIBERTY OF LARRY ME
FROM THE TROPY ZOO
I BELIEVE - UNCE BELONGED
TO THE PENGUIN!!



LATER... UNCLE GEORGE LOOKS UP TO RICO

IT'S RICO!
WELL, DID YOU GET RID OF THE BATMAN?
IS HE DEAD? WHY DON'T YOU SAY SOMETHING?

PERHAPS RICO DOESN'T FEEL LIKE TALKING, UNCLE GEORGE.

BATMAN!

COME ALONS, MR AND MRS GEORGE GRAYSON! WE'VE GOT A NICE, WARM CELL WAITING FOR THE BOYS OF YOU!

YOU WORM! YOU GOT ME INTO THIS WITH YOUR TALK OF A MILLION DOLLARS!

SHUT UP BEFORE I PUSH YOUR FACE IN!

YES, AREN'T AUNT CLARA AND UNCLE GEORGE THE LOVING COUPLE?

NICE DOMESTIC SCENE, ISN'T IT?

NEXT DAY... IN THE JUDGE'S CHAMBERS...

FORTUNATELY FOR YOU BOTH, YOUR NEPHEW, DICK, PREFERENCES TO DROP ANY CHARGES... BECAUSE HE WOULDN'T WANT TO SEND HIS FATHER'S BROTHER TO JAIL. NOW YOU TWO VILTEERS... GET OUT OF MY SIGHT!

IN AND OUT OF TOWN!

AND WE'LL HELP YOU!
GOOD-BYE, UNCLE GEORGE!

MR WAYNE, DICK IS YOURS AGAIN! INCIDENTALLY, I'M INCLINED TO AGREE WITH THE BATMAN! HE VISITED ME BEFORE AND SAID, THAT IN SPITE OF YOUR PLAYBOY ACTIVITIES, YOU WERE REALLY A GOOD MAN!

WELL... OF ALL PEOPLE, HE SHOULD KNOW EH, DICK?

AND NOW!

C'MON, DICK... LET'S GO HOME!

WELL, THE MAIN STARS ARE BACK TOGETHER AGAIN! EVERYTHING TURNED OUT TO BE A BIT OF ALL RIGHT, AFTER ALL... ER, WOT?

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